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**"Dirt and grime beware, 910th Services Division
opens base car wash"**

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YOUNGSTOWN AIR RESERVE STATION, OHIO – With winter in full swing at Youngstown Air Reserve Station many vehicles can be seen on base bearing the dirty, grimy after-effects of highway road crew efforts. Dark colored vehicles sometimes look almost white this time of year because of all the salt and liquid ice-melting material that is used to keep roads safe this time of year.

Base personnel can now clean their dirty vehicles without having to leave the main gate. A touch-free automatic car wash has been installed in Building 515 near the base gas station and provides a total package wash experience including pre-wash, tri-foam soap, rinse, and clear coat wax cycles, all for just \$5.

The \$192,000 project was partially funded by a \$150,000 HQ AFRC Morale, Welfare, and Recreation grant and is the first Services car wash to be located at a stand-alone Air Force Reserve installation.

"We're really excited about offering a new service to our whole base community," said Henry Shaffer, director of services at the 910th.

In addition to the touch-free car wash, a manual spray wand and foaming brush is also available for those that prefer to wash their vehicles by hand or just want to loosen up that dirt and grime before driving through the automatic touch-free car wash. Seventy-five cents gets you four minutes of time with the manual spray wand and foaming brush. A vacuum cleaner is also available at a price of seventy-five cents for five minutes of time.

"This is another great service we're happy to have for the 910th family," said Brig. Gen. Michael F. Gjede, commander of the 910th Airlift Wing.

For those that want to fine-tune their vehicle cleaning experience, vending machines for air fresheners, car interior cleaning and shining products, and drying towels are also available.

The car wash payment machine will accept one, five, ten, and twenty dollar bills and change is dispensed with quarters.

Use of the car wash is not recommended when the outside temperature is below 30 degrees.